

## MRS. EDWARD R. THOMAS SUES FOR DIVORCE

Of Alleged Correspondents, One,  
an Actress, Is Named in  
the Action.

### DEFENDANT IS IN PARIS

Despite Losses in 1907 Panic  
and Judgments Aggregating  
\$1,234,000, His Income  
Is Still Large.

Mrs. Linda Lee Thomas filed suit yesterday for a divorce from her husband, Edward R. Thomas, formerly a banker of this city, who, with his partner, Orlando F. Thomas, has passed through many financial vicissitudes in the last five or six years. Mrs. Thomas mentions only one of the several correspondents by name; she is Miss Theodora Gerard, also known as "Teddy," and who is said to be an actress. Thomas, who has made his home abroad for the last few years, is now in Paris, and, according to Mrs. Thomas, he has declared that he would not return to this country.

In her complaint the plaintiff mentioned that her husband committed the alleged offences in May, June, July and August, 1910, in London, Paris and elsewhere. Justice Gavegan granted permission yesterday to Mrs. Thomas to serve the defendant with the summons and complaint in the action by mailing it to him in care of the American Express Company, Paris.

There were reports from Paris last June of the impending action of Mrs. Thomas, but so many months passed without local action that nothing more was said about it.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were married on June 29, 1901, in New York. Their home was at No. 17 West 5th street. Mrs. Thomas is now living at the Carlton House, at No. 22 East 4th street. In May, 1908, the husband and wife went to Europe together. Mrs. Thomas returned to New York alone in March, 1910, Thomas remaining in Europe.

Last September the former banker came here for a short visit, and that was the last time Mrs. Thomas saw him. He remained in this city about a week, and then went back to Paris, telling his wife he would not come back to the United States.

Besides his matrimonial troubles, Thomas has also had much trouble in his banking career, and only recently he confessed judgment in the Supreme Court in thirty actions brought against him for an amount aggregating \$1,234,469.

In fact, Thomas's domestic infidelities did not begin until after he had suffered some serious financial difficulties. These began in 1907, during the financial panic, and largely grew out of his association in many transactions with Charles W. Morse and F. Augustus Heinze.

It was only a few months later that there came reports of the banker's gay night career and the one about Thomas and Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, wife of Harry K. Thaw, being ordered out of the grill room of the Hotel Knickerbocker, where they had gone to dine.

Since then, too, the name of Mrs. Thaw has been associated with Thomas. It was just after he had returned to Paris from the Nile, where he had taken a trip on the advice of his physician, and Mrs. Thaw being in Europe at the same time, it was said that she might have been his.

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## PRINCIPALS IN A DIVORCE SENSATION.



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companion. The name of Miss Gerard, the correspondent, was never mentioned with that of Thomas.

The principal restraining influence against a suit for divorce before this was said to be Mrs. Samuel Thomas, mother of Edward R. Thomas and widow of General Samuel Thomas, from whose estate she has an income of \$250,000 a year. Mrs. E. R. Thomas and her mother-in-law have been on the best of terms. However, Thomas would not come to New York and enable his wife to bring him to court, nor would he consent to any financial arrangement with her unless she met him in Paris.

While not in as affluent circumstances as he used to be in the 1907 panic, Thomas still has a good sized income from the estate of his father-in-law, which he has been spending money freely. This income amounts to \$100,000 a year.

Recently the Bowling Green Trust Company obtained a garnishee order in the Supreme Court against this income on a judgment for \$30,732. Ten per cent will be taken out of his income until this judgment is settled, but that reduces the \$100,000 income by only \$16,000 a year. Besides, Mrs. Thomas, his mother, has always been ready to help her son in a financial way.

If Mrs. E. R. Thomas should ask and receive alimony she will have no trouble in collecting it here, for she, too, will be able to garnishee the trust fund from which Thomas receives his income.

In his more prosperous days Thomas used to own a stable of thoroughbreds, valued at \$150,000. They were sold at sheriff's sale in 1908 for \$20,000. In 1909 Thomas sent his father-in-law, William Pata Lee, who was treasurer of the Louisville Gas Company, fifty \$1,000 gold bonds for a Christmas present.

### FOG DELAYS LUSITANIA

New Early Morning Sailing  
Schedule Interrupted.

The Lusitania, which began the Cunard Line's early Wednesday morning sailings several weeks ago, did not get out on the fourth trip under that plan on schedule time today. She was still at her dock when the hour arrived, as the fog covered the river so thickly that Captain J. T. W. Charles could not even see the greyhound's nose as she lay at her berth. The gangways were hauled in at sailing time, all visitors left the ship as usual, and she was ready to go whenever the fog lifted.

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## OUTLAWS ARE NEAR FLOYD ALLEN'S HOME

Messengers Hasten to Hillsville  
and Every Available Man  
Rushes to Scene.

### HOPE TO SURROUND BAND

Unless Murderers of Court Officials  
Are Soon Captured Gov.  
Mann May Proclaim Mar-  
tial Law in Carroll County.

Hillsville, Va., March 19.—Messengers from the posse guarding the roads in the mountains have reported the Allen outlaws at a point about five miles from Floyd Allen's home. Every available man in Hillsville has hurried up into the hills in the hope of surrounding them before they get away.

Just after dusk fell a man riding a gray horse, covered with foam, rode into town and had a hurried talk with Detective Feliz, head of the posse. Not even the men who had been in the saddle all day were spared from the call, and the party galloped off in what will be an all-night ride. At best they cannot reach the point the messenger indicated before dawn.

The chase of the Allen outlaws who shot up the Carroll County courthouse last Thursday, and now have five deaths to their score for that sortie, had about settled down to a siege when news of them reached here.

Travellers coming down from Fancy Gap to-day said the Allens had deserted their stand at Squirrel Spur and plunged into the still thicker country over toward the Patrick County line. That is more of a wilderness than their previous stand. At some places the boundary lines have never been located.

"Jack" Allen, one of the brothers who did not take part in the courthouse affair, came into town to-day to consult a lawyer about the attachments which the authorities are making of Sidna's and Floyd's properties. Allen galloped up to the courthouse and created a furor. The townsfolk thought he was heading another raid. He said that his brothers probably had shot in self-defence and would fight to the last ditch.

### Sidna's Wife Sorry Floyd Is Alive.

Sidna's wife came to town in a rickety barouche, in pitiful contrast to her former visits. She wanted the prosecutor to exempt her husband's store from the attachments, but he refused. About \$20,000 of his property, he has been tied up for the heirs of his victims.

When told that Floyd Allen was still alive she expressed regret.

"I have no idea where Sidna went when he left me on Thursday. I only wish I did," she said. "I wish there never had been a gun made. I left our home the night this awful thing happened and my husband was still there. As I kissed him goodby he told me to do everything I could for our two little children and be kind to his dog and cat. I do not know if he is lying exposed with his wounds, perhaps starving to death. Regardless of what he did in the County Court on Thursday, I want to say that there never was a kinder or more loving husband and father. He has an awful temper, but that was responsible for Marguerite, ten years old, and Pauline, five.

"I do not believe Sid plotted to shoot the court officers," continued Mrs. Allen. "If I knew where he was I would go to him and nurse him."

Contrary to the reports that the Allens had cut the telephone wires, the fact is that they haven't been cut at all. Ella Wilcox and her sister, the operators, refused to take fright at the Allens and have been sticking to the switchboard night and day.

A day or two before the shooting one of the Allens called for a number, and not getting it quickly, said to the operator:

"I guess you don't know who I am; I'm one of the fighting Allens."

"Yes," returned the country girl, "and I'm one of the fighting Wilcoxs, and when you come I'll be prepared."

Woman's nerve hasn't been lacking in Hillsville, although the stories of it have been delayed. When Clerk Goad was having a pistol battle with two of the Allens his daughter Jazbel ran to his side with a freshly loaded revolver, and probably saved his life.

There was talk to-day of calling for federal troops. Those in authority, however, did not consider it seriously. It is not unlikely that before much more progress toward the capture of the assassins is made Governor Mann may declare martial law in Carroll County and call on every man in the mountains not in sympathy with the Allens to come out. Under such conditions troops could picket the roads and passes and escape would be almost impossible.

NEW YORKER FOUND DEAD?  
Identified by Tammany Hall Receipt as  
George J. Thompson, Jr.

Jacksonville, Fla., March 19.—The badly decomposed body of a man, supposed to be George J. Thompson, Jr., of New York City, was found half buried in the mud one mile northeast of Baldwin, Fla., twenty miles west of Jacksonville, Fla., in the pockets of the man's clothes found a card case, with "Tammany Hall" in gold letters on the cover.

In this case were found receipts from Tammany Hall issued to George J. Thompson, Jr., and signed by Joseph J. Farley, 20th Assembly District, No. 2365 Seventh avenue, New York City. Eleven \$20 bills were also found on his person, with a hotel key from St. Augustine, Fla.

The body of the man found buried in the mud near Baldwin, Fla., is supposed to be George J. Thompson, Jr., who lived at No. 42 West 129th street, who was a clerk in the Finance Department of the city. With his wife, Thompson went to St. Augustine in January last, and shortly after, while the two were shopping, he complained of illness, and left her to return to the hotel. She never saw him afterward, although a thorough search was made of the city and nearby country.

DIX SIGNS BANK RESERVE BILL.  
Albany, March 19.—Governor Dix to-day signed the bill providing that, if the principal place of business of a trust company is located in the village or third class city, the whole lawful reserve fund may, and at least 30 per cent, consist of cash.

ROESCH DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL.  
Albany, March 19.—Former Senator George F. Roesch, of New York, was appointed to-day second deputy state fire marshal, to succeed Peter T. Acritelli, who died recently. The salary is \$3,000 a year.

## THIEVES MAKE \$10,000 HAUL

Unoccupied House in New Rochelle  
Scene of Robbery.

A woman, a small boy and two men are being looked for by the New Rochelle police for a robbery committed early yesterday at the home of Judge Mark M. Schlesinger in New Rochelle, where \$10,000 worth of silver articles, furs, laces, silk dresses and jewelry was stolen.

Judge Schlesinger and his wife closed their home in New Rochelle in November and have since been living in a hotel in New York. They returned to their New Rochelle house yesterday morning and discovered that it had been plundered. A neighbor told them of seeing two men, a woman and a boy about ten years old leave the Schlesinger house about daybreak and carry a large touring car, each carrying a dress suit case and the men and woman wearing furs. The men raised their hats as if taking leave of some one, and the neighbors supposed that Judge Schlesinger and his wife had returned during the night and that the four persons who boarded the automobile were visitors.

An examination showed that the house had been ransacked from top to bottom. Drawers had been pulled out of bureaus, trunks searched and things of all description scattered over the floors. The intruders had opened and drank several bottles of wine, and three glasses that had been used were found on a table near the kitchen door.

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WANTED FRANCHISE POWER  
Aldermen Adopt Mulligan's Sub-  
way Resolution.

Alderman Mulligan, of the Bronx, introduced a resolution at the meeting of the board yesterday in which, after a long preamble which spoke of the subway negotiations as "secret jugglery, procrastination and delay for nearly two years," would up:

Therefore, be it resolved, That we, the Board of Aldermen, in regular session assembled, feeling that the interests of the common people and the city property would be served in the hands of the true representatives of the people, viz., the Board of Aldermen, ask the legislature to elect Excellence the Governor and His Honor the Mayor to restore to us that power which was so ruthlessly taken from us, to wit, the franchise power of the people, as being the will of the people, which is and should be the supreme law.

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## WANTED KOSHER HOSPITAL

Jewish Sexton, with Skull  
Broken, Keeps the Faith.

True to his faith, Zimlich Aaronson would not go to Gouverneur Hospital, because he did not think the food was prepared in kosher fashion. Aaronson, who is seventy-two years old, is a sexton of a Jewish synagogue. He went from the synagogue, in Henry street, to his home, at No. 181 East Broadway, yesterday afternoon, and found his wife had left a lot of clothes on the bed. He began to hang them out of the window, but his foot slipped and he fell to the street.

Tammany Ryan called Dr. Goldstein from Gouverneur Hospital, and the surgeon said Aaronson's skull was fractured. Despite this, the sexton protested against going to Gouverneur Hospital.

"Not kosher," he said. "I want to go to Beth Israel."

But that hospital sent word it was too crowded to accommodate the injured man, and he is now at his home, with only a slim chance for life.

## DICE LOADED, LOSER SAYS

Distillery Agent Gave Note to  
Cover Loss on Steamer Game.

Martin J. Dolan is defending a suit in the City Court brought by Barton J. Harvey to collect \$500 on an "I O U" declaring that the debt represents the amount Harvey won from him by means of loaded dice in a crap game on board the Lusitania from England to New York last September.

Dolan, who is an agent for a distillery, said Harvey and one or more associates on board the steamship entered into a conspiracy to swindle him, and that the game of craps was the means of carrying out their plot. It was a "whim, folly and caprice," he said, that caused him to give Harvey the "I O U," which he wrote on the margin of a magazine.

He gave the plaintiff this note, he explained, to avoid a fight with Harvey and his friends, about whom he had some apprehensions. One of these friends, Dolan declared, was one Walter McGinley, "whose reputation needs no further evidence than the fact that his number is 3311 in the Rogues' Gallery." Dolan said he had seven witnesses, who were passengers with him, corroborate his story, besides the steward.

## WHERE DOLLS ARE MADE

Child Labor Committee Il-  
ustrates Tenement Home Work.

While the heyday of glory for willow plumes has passed away, the children who work in the tenements have still plenty to do.

The National Child Labor Committee has a booth at the Woman's Industrial Exhibit in the Grand Central Palace, where it shows the results of a four months' investigation into "home work" in pictures and actual samples of the things made.

The first screen shows an enlarged reproduction of the label of a popular wire hair brush. On this label is the statement that the brushes are made in a sanitary factory.

Below is a clipping that reads: "Unskilled labor to be done at home. Apply No. 114 East 16th street, sixth floor." The investigator who clipped this advertisement and followed it up found that the work of setting the bristles in the rubber pads of the brushes is done in filthy tenement homes, but the brushes are widely advertised as "sanitary."

The next screen shows pictures of several families hard at work cracking nuts in kitchens of various degrees of untidiness. One small girl was just in the act of cracking a nut in the good old-fashioned way with her teeth, when the snapshot was made. The possibilities of tuberculosis and assorted germs of all kinds are apparent.

Flower making and garment finishing and embroidery are also illustrated by photographs, while on a table are actual samples of the things found in these family sweatshops. On one end of this table is a jolly looking party of dolls, the latest production of home labor. The jolliness is not caused, however, by any beauty in the history of their manufacture. For the arms and legs of these dolls are stuffed by children too young to work in a factory, but too young for long, weary hours at home. The dresses worn by the dolls, too, are made in the tenement homes, and the young woman who explains the exhibit tells a pathetic story of a woman ill with consumption who sat all day at a sewing machine making these tiny, perfect dresses at the rate of 40 cents each.

Child Labor in Southern Cotton Mills! Look what we have done in New York! Let's sweep our own doorstep!

## SUFFRAGE WON AND LOST

Continued from first page.

ground in the professions and the business world and was holding her own with him, thus demonstrating her physical and mental ability to bear with him the burden of the ballot.

Senator Stillwell began proceedings in the Senate. He told of the six states which have equal suffrage there and the improvement in conditions since the women got the vote. He said their votes might decide the Presidential election this year, and predicted confidently that it would be only a short time, despite everything, when the resolution would be passed in this state and submitted for the approval of the people.

Senator McClelland, who admitted having voted for equal suffrage in the Assembly thirty years ago, when Theodore Roosevelt, now for it, was against it, said it was yet in an experimental stage. It would take a decade, he maintained, for it to show conclusively whether it was a public gain.

"I don't dispute the conscience or the ability of woman," he said, "but physical conditions unfit her to exercise the function of suffrage. The handicap of the sex is motherhood. Yet the function of the sex is motherhood."

"Be careful lest you destroy the incentive to motherhood!" he shouted, shaking his fist at the suffragists in the gallery.

"Twenty-six years ago for equal suffrage, and had been at it ever since."

He was in Los Angeles, he said, on last Election Day, and the women knew how to vote and voted right. There was no disorder, no riot, nothing to interfere with their voting in a physical way, either.

Senator Burr considered the inquiry of the present situation manifest to the most careless observer. The only reason for denying the vote to women, he contended, would be physical and mental unfitness to use it. Plain, cold, undisputed facts proved such was not the case. He said the Superintendent of Schools of Chicago was a woman, doing splendid work. Most of the school teachers in this state and a good number of principals were women. Fully one-third of the clerical work of the state was done by women. In some of the Western states women were holding public office and doing their duty creditably.

Sensors Sage, of Albany; Thomas, of Madison; Ferris, of Oneida; Walters, of Onondaga, and Hinman, of Broome, made hot speeches against the resolution. Senator Bayne and others spoke for it. Bayne forced an issue with Wagner over the question of voting. He refused to let the votes of absentees against it be recorded, unless those of absentees for it could be recorded, whereupon Wagner insisted that Ferris, who was present, but paired with Newcomb, vote anyhow, and Ferris did so.

## WOMEN VOTE IN BABYLON

Help Elect Democrats and Carry Good  
Roads Proposition.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
Babylon, Long Island, March 19.—The village election here to-day was brimful of excitement. The Democratic ticket won. Mr. Alley, village President, was re-elected, after a hard fought battle, by a majority of twenty. Captain Carl L. Jackson was again elected trustee, by a majority of 194. Joseph Keenan was re-elected treasurer and Edwin N. Wilson collector unanimously. All the winning candidates are Democrats, but politics cut only a small figure.

The women voters were out in large numbers and aided in carrying the \$20,000 good road proposition and the \$5,000 fire department proposition. Among those of prominence in South Shore social circles who voted were Mrs. David Brown, Mrs. Henry Chester Heppner, Mrs. Alfred Hayes, Miss Lottie Carl and Miss Myra Carl.

## THE BATTERED BRIDEGROOM

Beauty of Morgenstein 'of Reno'  
Is Temporarily Married.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
Reno, Nev., March 19.—Following only a few days the signing by Judge Moran of her decree of divorce from her husband, John Monks, Jr., of New York, Alice Sutherland Parsons last night married George Henry Morgenstein, an electric power man. The marriage license gives his age as thirty-three and hers as thirty-one. Both gave Reno as their home. They were married in the office of Justice of the Peace Davis and left for San Francisco on a late train.

Morgenstein presented a somewhat dislodged appearance, with both his eyes blackened and nose bruised, the evidences of his flaccid encounter with a local man on Sunday morning whom he attempted to take to task for alleged undue attentions to his then bride to be.

## EASTER PARADE TO POLLS

Westchester Suffragists Con-  
spicuous in Village Elections.

The suffragists of Hastings did not appear at all bashful yesterday when they cast their ballots for a village president, two trustees, a collector, and a treasurer, and a police justice. Husbands and wives, in many instances, entered the polling places together.

Mrs. Walter Keyes, wife of the well known horse owner, who was a candidate for trustee, was the first woman to vote. Mrs. Walker Whiteside, wife of the actor of that name, and Mrs. George Ober, wife of George Ober, of "Rip Van Winkle" fame, soon followed. Edith Glawold, associate editor of "The Woman's Journal," and Miss Billie Burke, the actress, also were prompt.

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